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Irish Studies Program Conference
What: The first annual Irish Studies Program Conference presents Ireland Today History & Heritage in an Ever-Changing World.
When: Friday, March 16th 2012, 9am-5pm
Where: St. Basil Hall Auditorium, St. John Fisher College
More information: Free and open to the public. Contact Jason Polasek, Events Coordinator, Office of Institutional Advancement, jpolasek@sjfc.edu · 585-899-3720. View the attached flyer for all the details

Making A Difference: Community-Academic Partnerships to Advance Organization's Programmatic and Community Goals
What: Academic Partnerships to Advance Organization's Programmatic & Community Goals: The class will introduce how community members and organizations can collaborate with academic partners to advance common goals for real and sustainable changes, specifically by integrating systematic approaches to learning (i.e., participatory or action research) within their efforts to serve and strengthen broader communities of interest. [Workshop Level: Introductory]
Facilitators: Ann Marie White, U of R Medical Center and Sr. Sheila Briody, St. Joseph's
Neighborhood Center

**When:** Wednesday, March 28, 5:00-7:00pm  
**Where:** Golisano Academic Center 233, Nazareth College  
**More information:** All workshops are $5 each. Payments can be made by cash, check or money order. All checks should be made out to Nazareth College Social Work Department. Payments are accepted by mail or in person. For any questions, call (585) 389-2674

Safe Space Training

**What:** Safe Space is an initiative intended to create a safer and freer environment for all members of the University community regardless of sexual orientation or gender identity and expression.  
**When:** Wednesday, April 4, 9-11 a.m. in the Interfaith Chapel Brennan Room, and Thursday, April 12, 9-11 a.m. in the School of Medicine and Dentistry’s Natapow Conference Room (1-9545).  
**More information:** RSVP to stanley.byrd@rochester.edu by March 30. Space is limited in both sessions. **Opportunity for 2 hours of Diversity credit

The Clark Family Scholarship

**What:** The Clark Family Scholarship provides financial support for professionals working in the mental health or developmental disabilities fields within an eight-county area surrounding Rochester (Monroe, Genesee, Livingston, Ontario, Orleans, Seneca, Wayne, and Yates counties) who wish to pursue advanced degrees (master’s or doctorate) in their field. The maximum award is $5,000 per year. Award amounts are determined through a committee review process, which takes into consideration academic performance, cost of attendance, financial need, and access to other available grants or resources. The 2012-2013 Clark Family Scholarship applications are now available on the CCSI website at http://www.ccsi.org/clark-family-scholarship.aspx. Completed applications must be received no later than April 13, 2012.  
**More information:** Any questions or need any additional information, feel free to contact Jackie Ferguson at 585.613.7620 or jferguson@ccsi.org.

Reminders

- Please consider applying your attendance for any events that might meet the objectives for independent study credit hours in order to complete your cultural competence training requirements (minimum of 3 credit hours) for the Department of Psychiatry.  
- To see any past Stepping Out newsletters, please visit our OMHP homepage for the Stepping Out Archives at Psychiatry Department: Office of Mental Health
For more information on events in the community check out the DBSA Website.

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